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FOLLOWING REPEAT KABUL 2009 ACTION SECSTATE DATED MAR 26:

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SUBJECT: U.S. NARCOTICS CONTROL INTERESTS AND THE
ASSISTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

1. IN CONVERSATIONS WITH UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (UNDP) OFFICERS IN KABUL IT HAS COME TO OUR ATTENTION THAT UNDP IS CONSIDERING OR INVOLVED IN PROJECTS IN AFGHANISTAN IN WHICH USAID COULD NOT ASSIST BECAUSE OPIUM POPPIES ARE CULTIVATED IN AREAS TO BE AFFECTED. AID FOR EXAMPLE HAS JUST SAID NO TO FURTHER DISCUSSION OF A SMALL IRRIGATION PROJECT IN THE KUNAR RIVER VALLEY BECAUSE OF SCATTERED BUT COMMERCIALY SIGNIFICANT POPPY GROWTH; UNDP HOWEVER HAS BEEN ALREADY INVOLVED IN KUNAR, AND WILL LIKELY WORK MORE EXTENSIVELY IN THIS REGION AS NEW PROJECTS DEVELOP.

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2. OUR CONCERN IS OF COURSE ABOUT GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS, NOT THOSE SPECIFICALLY TIED TO SOME NARCOTICS RELATED OBJECTIVE.

3. WE BELIEVE AFGHANS WILL FEEL THE PINCH OF OUR NARCOTICS OBJECTIVES HERE MORE ACUTELY FROM OUR HAVING DECLINED TO DISCUSS WORKING IN THE

KUNAR REGION THAN FROM ANYTHING YET SAID TO THEM
ABOUT THIS UNITED STATES CONCERN. OUR ARGUMENTS
ABOUT THE NEED FOR NARCOTICS PRODUCTION/TRAFFICK-
ING SUPPRESSION WOULD BE CONSIDERABLY MORE POER-
FUL SHOULD UNDP AND INTERNATIONAL LENDING INSTI-
TUTIONS ALSO HESITATE OR REFUSE TO ASSIST AREAS
WHERE OPIUM POPPIES AND/OR CANNABIS IS GROWN.

4. WHAT AGREEMENTS EXIST BETWEEN THE UNITED
STATES AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTIONS
TO WHICH WE CONTRIBUTE CONCERNING THIS? HOW DEEPLY
INTO THIS ARGUMENT OUGHT WE TO GO IN CONVERSATIONS
LOCALLY WITH UNDP AND WORLD BANK OFFICIALS?
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